

State Transportation Commission

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Topics

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- Midland MPO
- America's Transportation Awards

MAP 21



Overview

- Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act, or MAP-21
- SAFETEA-LU expired September 30, 2009
- 10 extensions – covering 1,010 days
- Signed into law July 6, 2012
- Two year bill – FY 2013 & 2014
 - Extends current law through end of FY 2012

Investment Level Comparison

	SAFETEA-LU Annual Avg.	% of Total	MAP-21 Annual Avg.	% of Total
Highways	\$39.5 b	78.8%	\$40.7 b	77.4%
Transit	\$9.4 b	18.8%	\$10.6 b	20.2%
Safety	\$1.2 b	2.4%	\$1.2 b	2.4%
Total	\$50.1 b		\$52.6 b	

National Highlights

- Minimum guaranteed for donor states watered down
- No earmarks
- Significant consolidation of highway & transit programs
 - Approximately 100 programs impacted by consolidation
 - With most project eligibilities preserved, agencies should have more flexibility

National Highlights

- Performance measures integrated into planning processes
 - NHS performance and condition
 - Highway and transit safety
 - Air quality
 - Freight movements
 - Transit state of good repair

National Highlights

- Heavy in reforms to accelerate project delivery
 - Broadens use of CE
 - Speeds up agency review process
- Enhances focus on freight
- Expanded options for innovative financing
- Transit bus capital program formulized
- Requires transit agencies to develop asset management plan

Next Steps

- Continue to learn about MAP-21
- Formed a barrier buster group to identify and address implementation issue
- May need policy decisions from Commission
- Participation with USDOT in implementing guidance and regulations

City of Midland

MPO Eligibility

Introduction

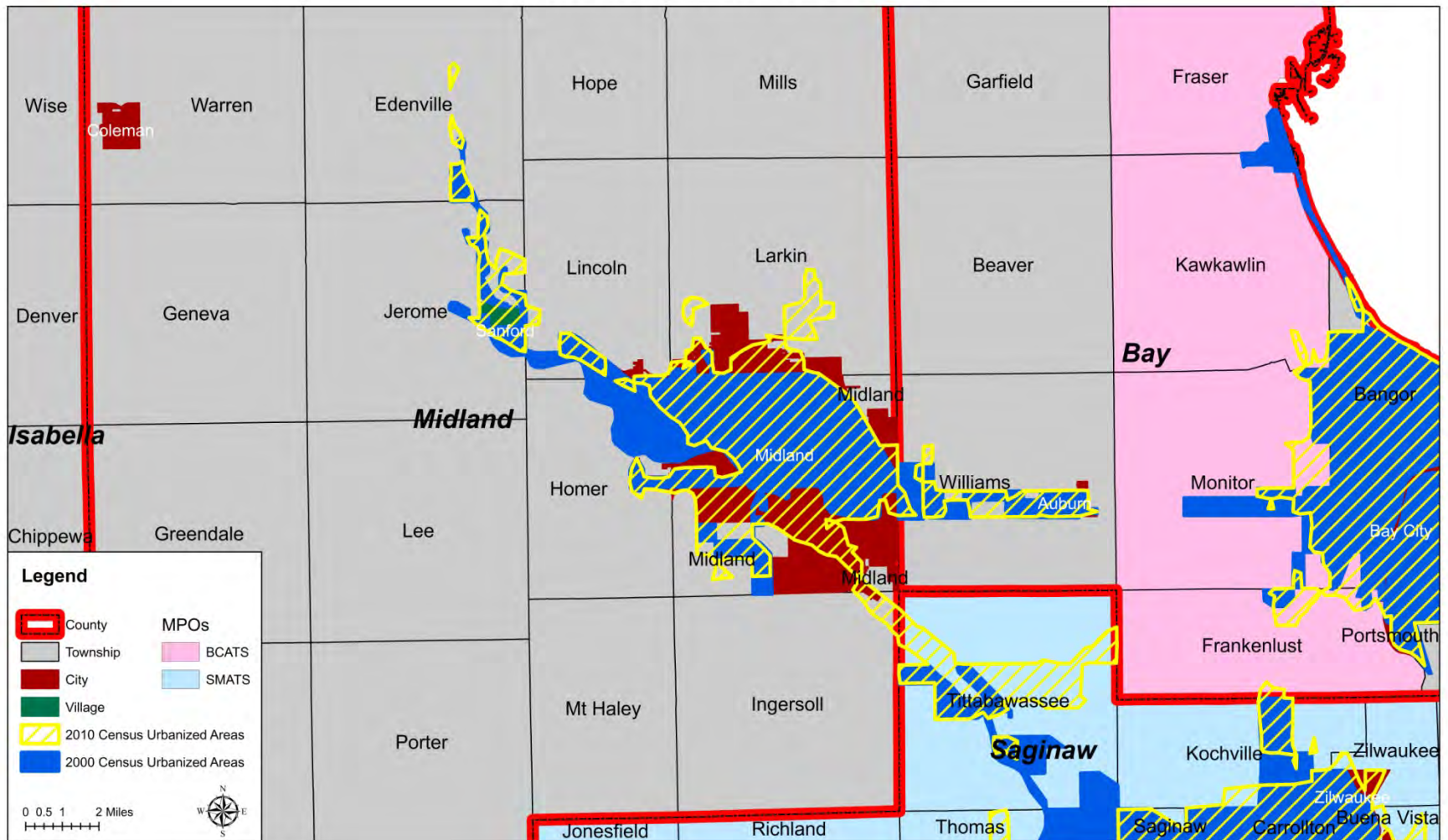
- Census Bureau creates a new list of Urbanized Areas (UZA) every 10 years, following decennial census
- UZA = urban area with 50,000 population or more
- Designation of new UZAs has significant implications on the metropolitan transportation planning process:
 - Federal laws require every new UZA to be represented by a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to carry out transportation planning process
- Based on 2010 Census, Midland's urban area is 59,014 – qualifying it as a UZA that must be represented by an MPO

What is an MPO?

- Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) = transportation policy-making body designed to carry out the metropolitan transportation planning process
- MPOs are:
 - Designated by agreement with the Governor and all units of general purpose local government which represent at least 75% of the affected population
 - Required to carry out continuing, comprehensive, and cooperative (3C) urban transportation planning process to receive federal-aid highway funds

Midland Urbanized Area Map

MIDLAND, MI Census-designated Urbanized Area (UZA)



Benefits of an MPO:

- Influencing identification of transportation-related issues & projects
- Establishing an image as leading regional transportation agency
- Promoting local transit service as regional transportation option
- Simplifying the transportation planning process among multi-jurisdiction boundaries
- Improving safety
- Maximizing tax-payer dollars

Key Milestones for Midland MPO

- March 26, 2012 – Census designated Midland as a new UZA
- Mid-August, 2012 – Public Meeting
- November, 2012 – Create MPO Policy Board, Technical Committee, and bylaws
- December, 2012 – Submit MPO Package to Governor for designation
- February, 2013 – Governor designates Midland as Michigan's newest MPO

MDOT Next Steps

- July-August, 2012 – Review the new federal transportation bill MAP-21 for new planning requirements for MPOs and funding eligibility
- Mid-August, 2012 – Attend public meeting with Midland officials to discuss MPO formation
- September-October, 2012 – Assist Midland officials with development of MPO bylaws and procedures that will govern the planning & administrative activities of the MPO
- December, 2012 – Assist officials with formal submittal of MPO Package to Governor
- February, 2013 – Assist officials with development of federally required documents for MPOs

Questions?



“Providing the highest quality integrated transportation services for economic benefit and improved quality of life.”



America's Transportation Awards

Greg Johnson, P.E.
Chief Operations Officer



I-75 Pinconning Project Bay County, MI

“Very effective
approach... very
impressive.”

-ATA judge on
Michigan



M-25 Bridge Replacement over the White River

Huron County, MI



"Tough challenge well met."

"Outstanding example of addressing Native American concerns."

"Completed ahead of schedule and below budget... what more can you ask for??"

-ATA judges



Winner – Under Budget, Small Project Category



Thank you!